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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT:

Briefing Memo for DCI on IAC-D-73

1. In pursuance of General Cabell's instructions yesterday, I convened all of the offices (except ONE) under the DD/I with the General Counsel, the acting DD/A and a representative of DD/P of ROM/OIS).

2. The consensus reached at the meeting was as follows:

- a. The paper (IAC-D-73) should be withdrawn because if it got into the hands of the Bureau of the Budget it would confirm a suspicion of the Bureau that CIA will try to violate the intent of the Congress.
- b. This problem is extremely complicated and should be approached through thorough interagency discussions (to include the Bureau of the Budget), and even if settled immediately could not have any effect on the circumstances probably until the '56 budget, or possibly by February 1954.
- c. That immediately the DCI should address a letter to the Secretary of State pointing out that the reduction in the Foreign Service budget in respect to intelligence collection will have specific adverse effects upon intelligence generally and request the Secretary to so reallocate Foreign Service funds available to the Foreign Service in order as to prevent such effects on intelligence. No alternative suggestion as to how to meet the emergency was forthcoming.
- d. Alternative suggestions of the review of NSCID 1 and 2, which appear to all to be much more satisfactory than those originally proposed (at Tab A and Tab B). Tab A was prepared by General Cabell; Tab B by Mr. Houston.

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3. OIC disagrees with points a, and c, above; agrees with point b, except for including the Bureau of the Budget at this stage; and agrees that the alternatives suggested in point d. are more satisfactory.

> JAMES Q. REBER Assistant Director Intelligence Coordination

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